

# HUNS BELIEVED U.S. BEFUDDLED WILL WAR'S SEVE BRITISH ADMIT AMERICA SAVED ALLIES' CAUSE

Washington Times Used in  
Dying Effort to Continue  
Neutrality.

## SENATORS IMPLICATED Bielaski Bares Anti-Ally Campaign Fostered by Men in Capitol.

German agents in the United States believed that their elaborate system of propaganda, societies, publications and subsidized writers and speakers would offset public opinion and prevent a declaration of war against Germany up to the morning of April 6, 1917. Bruce Bielaski, chief of the Department of Justice Secret Service, told the members of the Senate Judiciary subcommittee yesterday afternoon.

Edwin von Mock, president of the German University League and author of numerous propaganda articles, prepared a circular calling upon Congress to vote for a continued neutrality, two days before the actual declaration of war. Mr. Bielaski stated that von Mock attempted to publish an article, "Facts" in the Washington papers the same day, but only succeeded in placing it in one paper, the Washington Times. A pamphlet, "Facts," dated Washington, was submitted by Mr. Bielaski to the subcommittee.

**Sought Airplane Control.**  
Further revelations made by Mr. Bielaski concerning the German propaganda campaign from which the German agents expected so much included:

A plot to control airplane production in the United States for one year, intended to prevent the shipment of airplanes abroad.

The naming of Senator Works, Senator Hitchcock and Roger Sullivan, Democratic "boss" of Chicago, in connection with the American Embargo Conference, which was an organized German campaign against the shipment of munitions to the allies.

Reference to the American Embargo Conference, the American Truth Society, the German University League, the German-American Literary Defense Society and the German Publication Society as established agents of the German government and the American Peace Association, as friendly to their cause.

Parts of Mr. Bielaski's testimony contained such startling disclosures that Senator Overman, chairman of the subcommittee, interrupted him to ask:

"When you make a statement my understanding is that you have documentary evidence to prove it, except such as you say, 'you simply believe certain things to be true.'"

"That is correct, Mr. Bielaski replied.

An outline of a plan to secure control of the Wright airplane factories in Dayton, Ohio, was submitted to Bernstorff by F. Reiswitz, German agent.

## Yanks Rest 'Side Rhine, Allies Hear

## British Troops Enter Cologne While Belgians Occupy Town of Neuse Opposite Dusseldorf.

London, Dec. 7.—American troops have reached the Rhine, it is authoritatively learned this evening. Details are lacking.

British troops have entered Cologne, it is officially announced. The first British soldiers entered the city which is to be headquarters of the British army of occupation in Germany at 11 o'clock yesterday morning.

The Belgian war office announces that Belgian troops have occupied the town of Neuse on the left bank of the Rhine, opposite the big industrial city of Dusseldorf. Belgian troops are in Gladbach and Heilberg. No untoward incidents marked the Belgian occupation.

## BERGER AND FRIENDS SOON TO FACE JUDGE

Congressmen and Four Other Socialists Face Espionage Charges.

Chicago, Dec. 7.—Preparations were completed here tonight for what Federal officials claimed will be one of the most important trials resulting from alleged violation of the espionage act.

Five notables of the Socialist party will go to trial here Monday before Federal Judge K. M. Landis. The charges, for the most part, are based on matter appearing in Socialist publications and attacking America's right to enter the world war. Obstruction of the draft and recruiting figure incidentally in the charges.

The men who will face the charges are:

Victor L. Berger, former Congressman and now Congress-elect from Wisconsin, publisher of the Milwaukee Leader, Socialist daily.

Adolph Germer, national executive secretary of the party.

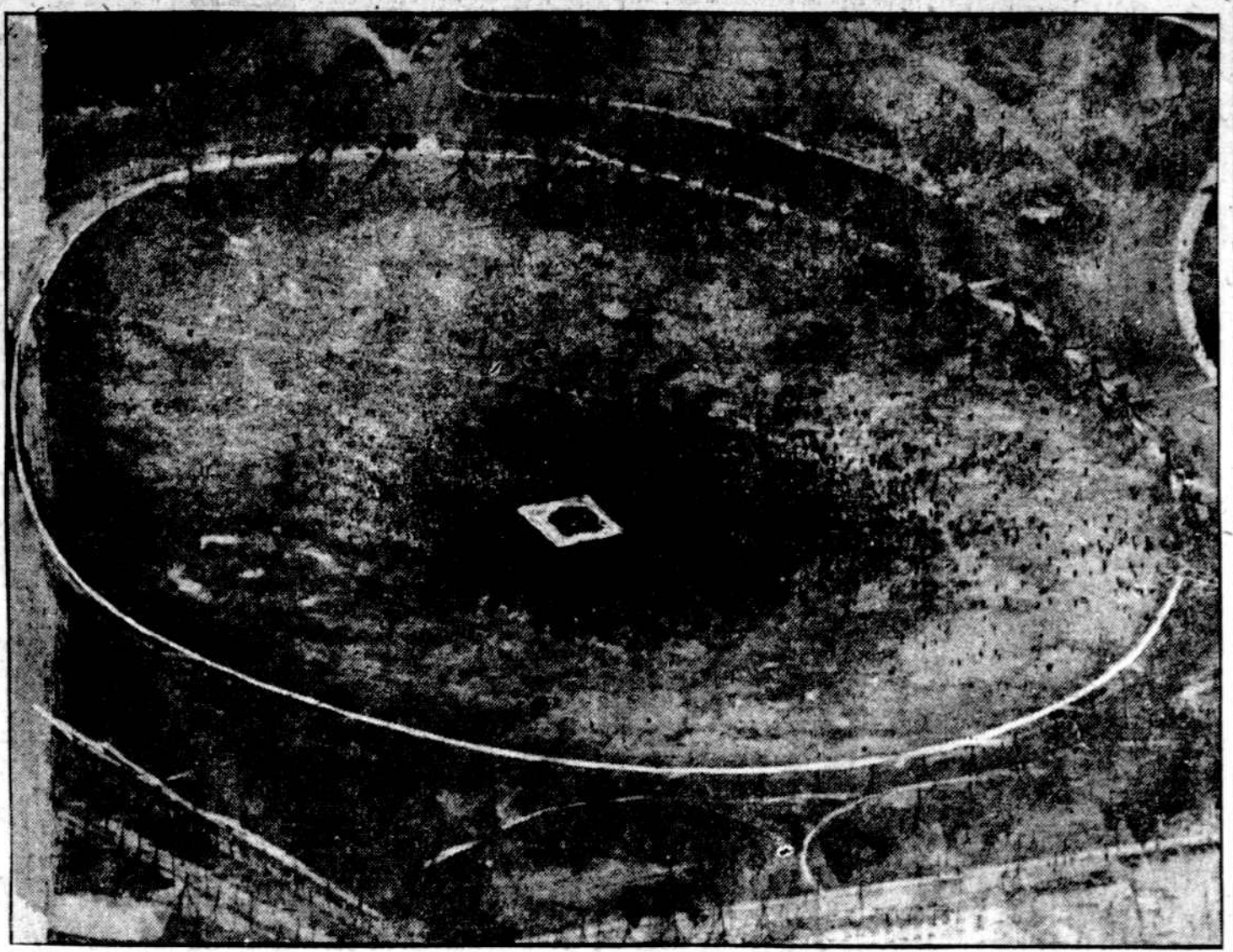
J. Louis Engdahl, editor of various Socialist papers.

William F. Kruse, director of the National Young People's Socialist League.

Erwin St. John Tucker, former director of the Socialist party.

**Cannot Pay in Goods.**  
London, Dec. 7.—Germany will not be allowed to pay the cost of the war with goods, says Sir Auckland Geddes, Britain will not permit "dumping."

# Man-Bird's-Eye View of Victory Sing on Ellipse Yesterday



This photograph was taken by a naval aviation camera man from a seaplane at an altitude of 1,000 feet, almost twice as high as the Washington Monument.

## ALLIES TO CALL EX-HUN LEADERS Thunder Voice of City Peals in Liberty Sing

Spirit of Justice to Be Carried Out, Says Herbert Asquith.

Seventy-five Thousand Men and Women War Workers Gather at Ellipse to Celebrate Defeat of Hun with Hymns of Praise While Giant Plane Flies Overhead.

London, Dec. 7. (British Admiralty Wireless).—Herbert Asquith, former premier, speaking at Rochdale today, said the allied powers had announced their joint intention of summoning the late heads of the German government and state before some kind of an international tribunal.

There is a broad distinction between the purpose of the song and the purpose of the song, he said. The song is a protest against the brutality of the Hun. The song is a protest against the brutality of the Hun. The song is a protest against the brutality of the Hun.

**Like Giant Human Wheel.**  
A center platform, flag decorated with the colors of our nation and our allies, had been erected at the hub about which the ten departments of our government had been grouped like spokes of a gigantic wheel. The lines of demarcation were maintained by lines of soldiers representing Company A, Ninety-seventh Engineers from Camp American University. By this distinguishing means and by the aid of huge placards, which read, "War," "State," "Navy" or "Commerce," the war workers from the different departments found their allotted locations.

**Pilot Took Chances.**  
This was a hazardous feat, as the hydroplane was only a half mile from the Potomac, a landing place in an emergency, and it is necessary to have a drop of 2,000 feet to make a safe landing glide.

The huge crowd joined enthusiastically in the group singing of the national and popular airs under the direction of Mr. Bouvier. In spite of the fact that war is over, the popularity of the war songs was shown when the tunes of "Pack Up Your Troubles in Your Old Kit Bag," "Keep the Homes Fires Burning," "The Long Long Trail" and "Smiles" were sung.

## NAVY TO STEAM HOME AS FAST AS POSSIBLE

Three Detachments to Sail at Once, Rest to Follow Speedily.

London, Dec. 7.—The bulk of the United States navy now in European waters will sail for the United States as rapidly as possible.

Three detachments, the vanguard of the fleet, totaling thirty-four gunboats, destroyers and submarine chasers, will sail from Gibraltar at once.

The grand fleet of battleships and Dreadnoughts will start home after President Wilson arrives in Europe. The remainder of the vessels, excepting only sufficient warships to carry out the terms of the armistice, will follow the battleships.

**THIS FRUIT "SEASONED."**  
Carload Marked Grapefruit Turns Out to Be Boze.

Tampa, Fla., Dec. 7.—Whisky and pure alcohol valued at between \$3,000 and \$4,000 was discovered here today by a United States deputy marshal in a carload shipment of oranges and grapefruit consigned to Columbia, S. C. Loose oranges covered several cases of whisky and many bottles were found imbedded in crates. Inspection of barrels marked "grapefruit" revealed a number of one-gallon kegs of alcohol.

**World Revolt Planned in Sweden.**  
Stockholm, Dec. 7.—Documents seized here today are reported to show that a world-wide revolution was being planned, to center in Sweden.

**Metal Explosion Kills Two.**  
Columbus, O., Dec. 7.—Two laborers were killed and two badly injured in an explosion of molten metal at the Carnegie Steel Company's plant here today.

**Montreal Faces Strike.**  
Montreal, Dec. 7.—Montreal is facing a general strike of municipal employees. The police, firemen and water department workers are voting on calling the strike for next Wednesday because their demands for an increase in pay were rejected.

# SCHWAB QUILTS; WILSON AGREES VIA WIRELESS

Emergency Fleet Corporation Head Cables President His Resignation.

## PLACE TO STAY VACANT Charles Piez to Direct Operation of Organization, Report Says.

President Wilson yesterday accepted the resignation of Charles M. Schwab as director general of the Emergency Fleet Corporation. The President wirelessly sent a message of regret from the George Washington to the White House, to be sent to Mr. Schwab, who retires to return to his private interests.

The President's message to Mr. Schwab said:

"I accept your resignation only because you wish it, and because I feel that I must do so in fairness to you. You have been exceedingly generous in giving your services and they have been invaluable. I want to thank you very cordially indeed for all that you have done. I shall always remember it as a great asset to all your associates in the government will, as a service of unusual value and distinction."

**Place to Stay Vacant.**  
No change in the Shipping Board or Emergency Fleet Corporation organization will be made as the result of Mr. Schwab's resignation, it was said at the board here. The post of Director General will not be filled.

Charles Piez, vice president and general manager of the fleet corporation, will direct the operation of the organization, it was said.

Mr. Schwab, who employs about 130,000 men in his various plants, felt the necessity of returning to the personal direction of those interests as soon as the resignation was signed, he told Chairman Hurley just before the latter left for Europe that he would try to remain with the fleet corporation until his return.

Mr. Schwab has since had to cable Mr. Hurley asking for a release from that promise, which was granted with regret. The chairman, however, realized that Mr. Schwab had brought the organization to a point where it was functioning properly and that the emergency which brought the steel man into the work had passed, while the coming of peace had thrown upon his shoulders new and heavy responsibilities in connection with his own huge plants.

**Results Speak for Themselves.**  
Mr. Schwab has done a great work in a great business, Mr. Colby said. "The results of his work speak for themselves. It was only the peremptory demands of his own business that made it necessary for him to resign. This is a great loss to the government, but it is a great gain to the country."

**Arrest of Soviet Leaders Disowned by Ebert Government.**  
Copenhagen, Dec. 7.—A new upheaval has taken place in Berlin, but dispatches at hand late today indicate it was a tempest in a teapot.

The Ebert government issued a proclamation today that it did not order the arrest yesterday evening of the Soviet leaders. It was an extraordinary quickening factor while we were working under great pressure.

**Other Disorders Reported.**  
Reports of disorders and riots marked by casualties are still coming in, but it is seen from the dispatches that they date a day or two back.

Following the arrests of the Soviet executives yesterday shots were exchanged in a large-scale demonstration in front of the reichstag building. Troops occupied the building for the first time since 1918.

The Berlin National Zeitung says the allies intend to demand that Germany dissolve all Soviets, in default of which Germany will get no food. Russia persist in Germany that the allies propose to occupy virtually the whole country.

## ALLIED KINGS TO VISIT U. S., SAYS LAUZANNE

Must Return Courtesy of Wilson's Trip, According to French Editor.

New York, Dec. 7.—The United States will have as guests within a year King George of Great Britain, President Poincare of France, King Albert of Belgium and King Victor Emmanuel of Italy, according to La Matin of Paris and head of the French mission to America.

Diplomatic propriety renders the return imperative and certain as a return courtesy for the forthcoming visit of President Wilson to the foreign capitals, he declared.

President Wilson has sailed to visit President Poincare, the King of Great Britain, Belgium and Italy," said M. Lauzanne today. "They will follow tradition and come to visit this government. Whether it will be in the early part of the year or the latter part no one knows, for no official action will be taken until President Wilson has visited the capitals."

**Wilson to Reach Paris Thursday or Friday**  
President Wilson is expected to reach Paris next Thursday evening or Friday morning, French cables announced today.

The cables referred to the fact that homage to the President will be made in the laws of the republic and that the engraved text of these laws will be distributed to all municipalities and schools.

It was declared that the Socialist and labor groups will join in naming a commission to welcome the President and present their peace aims to him.

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**Tail Spin; Plane Falls; One Killed; Another Hurt**  
Dallas, Tex., Dec. 7.—Lieut. Ralph F. Collier, of Battle Creek, Mich., was instantly killed and Lieut. A. G. Woodward, of Connecticut, was seriously injured today when an airplane in which they were flying fell 400 feet at Love Field.

The plane went into a tail spin as the aviators were landing.

**Berlin Rejects Proposal.**  
Bavaria Now Free to Disclose War Documents.

Zurich, Dec. 7.—The Berlin government has rejected the proposal of Kurt Eisner, head of the Bavarian government, for the formation of a new German state.

This means that Eisner is now free to carry out his threat to publish documents showing Germany's responsibility for the war.

# KEYS TO CITY GIVEN VISITING JAP ADMIRAL

Prince Higashi Fushimi Greeted with Military Pomp on Arrival.

## TO STAY THREE DAYS Nobleman Lauds Fighting Qualities of Yank Troops and Praises Pershing.

Official recognition was accorded His Imperial Highness, Prince Higashi Fushimi, an admiral of the Japanese Navy, and his suite as they entered the gates of the national capital late yesterday afternoon, from New York. Prince Fushimi is en route to Japan from England.

The American delegation, which officially met the distinguished Japanese party at New York and accompanied them to Washington, was headed by Third Assistant Secretary of State Breckinridge Long. They were met at the Union Station upon their arrival by Mr. Polk, the Acting Secretary of State, Mr. Phillips, Assistant Secretary of State, and Col. Clarence R. Ridley, aide to the President.

A double line of Marines from the Navy Yard detail and the Marine Barracks in the city, three hundred in all, formed a passage-way through which the Prince and the distinguished party of diplomats passed from the special train that brought them to the city to the awaiting automobiles.

**Station Flag Dropped.**  
In honor of the distinguished visitor Japanese flags were unfurled at the station and by the color sergeant of the cavalry escort that waited at the Union Station circle. As the prince stepped into the automobiles, the national Japanese anthem was played.

Escorted by a detail of 300 cavalrymen from the Eleventh Cavalry, from Fort Myer, under the command of Col. Lockett, the royal delegation proceeded past the new building of the Capitol and down Pennsylvania avenue to the west entrance of the Hotel Washington, where the group will be guests during their stay.

**To Be Here Three Days.**  
The three days that the prince and his party will be in the nation's capital will be filled with formal engagements. Tomorrow the prince's party, accompanied by Acting Secretary Polk and Col. Ridley, will pay their respects to Vice President Marshall.

Following this there will be a luncheon by the Vice President in honor of the prince at the Pan-American Union Building. A dinner will be given this evening by the Japanese Ambassador in honor of the prince and his party.

Tuesday morning the royal party will visit Mount Vernon and place a wreath on the tomb of George Washington. This afternoon Mr. Polk, acting Secretary of State, will tender a luncheon in honor of the prince.

Prince Fushimi yesterday expressed his gratification in being able to visit the United States and paid a high tribute to the fighting qualities of the American troops. He also commended General Pershing, with whom he had become acquainted at the Tokyo legation.

## Taft Avers Britain Must Retain Navy

Proposed League of Nations Hasn't Been Perfected Yet, He Tells Questioner at Lecture.

New York, Dec. 7.—"Until Great Britain can satisfy herself that a league of nations could safeguard her interests she is fully justified in maintaining a sufficient navy," William Howard Taft declared today following a lecture at Carnegie Hall.

Taft has just finished his lecture in which he outlined his ideas of a league of nations, when a young woman called out:

"How about a nation keeping control of the seas?"

"Well, to take the case of England—for I presume the young lady is shooting at England—the proposed league hasn't been perfected yet," he replied.

"You find the English flag on all the seas. And the life of England depends on the security with which these ships of hers can come and go."

**Poincare Goes to Take  
Over Alsace-Lorraine**  
Paris, Dec. 7.—President Poincare, the cabinet and large delegations from the senate and chamber of deputies, left for Metz and Strasbourg in special trains today to take official possession of Alsace-Lorraine on Sunday morning. Blasphemous ceremonies will be held in both cities.

The parties traveled in five trains, one being reserved exclusively for newspaper correspondents.

## PAPER'S PLANT RAZED. Fire Destroys Only Publication Building in Camp Town.

Spartanburg, S. C., Dec. 7.—The building and plant of the Spartanburg Herald and Journal was completely destroyed by fire tonight. The loss is estimated at \$50,000, partially covered by insurance.

The cause of the fire, which started in the pressroom, is unknown. Camp Wadsworth, one of the leading army establishments in the South, depends for its daily news on the Herald and Journal.